PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 42 C.F.R. § 447.205, the Georgia Department of Community Health is required to give public notice of any significant proposed change in its methods and standards for setting payment rates for services.

COVERAGE OF DIGITAL MAMMOGRAPHY

Effective July 1, 2008, the Department proposes to provide coverage for digital mammography services. Such services will be reimbursed based on 80% of the 2007 RBRVS as specified by Medicare for the Atlanta area for participating Medicare providers. This change is estimated to increase annual expenditures as follows:

Program	Total Funds	State Funds
Aged, Blind, and Disabled	$316,487	$113,492
Low Income Medicaid	624,031	223,778
PeachCare for Kids	84,483	21,146
All Programs	$1,025,001	$358,416

This public notice is available for review at each county Department of Family and Children Services office. An opportunity for public comment will be held on **May 20, 2008**, 1 p.m., at the Department of Community Health (2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303) in the 5th Floor Board Room. Individuals who are disabled and need assistance to participate during this meeting should call (404) 656-4479. Citizens wishing to comment in writing on any of the proposed changes should do so on or before **May 30, 2008**, to the Board of Community Health, Post Office Box 38406, Atlanta, Georgia 30334.

Comments submitted will be available for review by the public at the Department of Community Health, Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., in Room 4074, 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Comments from written and public testimony will be provided to the Board of Community Health prior to the **June 12, 2008** Board meeting. The Board will vote on the proposed changes at the Board meeting to be held at 10:30 a.m. at the Department of Community Health (2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303) in the 5th Floor Board Room.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THIS 8th DAY OF MAY, 2008

Rhonda M. Medows, M.D., Commissioner